

STATE OF OHIO

COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA

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GARNELL JAMISON, being first duly sworn according to law, deposes and states that:

I am one of the named Defendants in the case captioned Brian Coffey etc v. Buckeye Shaker Square Development Corporation et al., Case No.: 1:18-CV-02675-CAB in the United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio.

2. As will be fully explained in this Affidavit, despite representations made by Plaintiff's legal counsel to the contrary, I was never served with the Complaint. I was only made aware of the legal circumstance that I was a Defendant in this case when Kenneth Johnson received a copy of my Motion for Default Judgment in the mail, during the last week of June, 2019.

3. In fact, I still have never been actually served with the Complaint.

4. I have reviewed the Docket in this case, which indicated that a Complaint was filed on November 18, 2018 (Docket Entry No. 1).

5. I have attached a copy of the Docket to this Affidavit.

6. The Docket further indicates that on March 5, 2019 a Case Management Conference was held.

7. The Minutes of Proceedings for such Case Management Conference indicates that "service shall be completed on Defendants, Johnson and Jamison with 30 days".

8. These Minutes of Proceedings indicate that I had not been served with the Complaint, as of that date (March 5, 2019).

9. Docket Entry 11 indicates that as of March 25, 2019, there was a return of service of Complaint, showing service to be unexecuted.

10. Docket Entry 12 indicates that on April 15, 2019, there was a request to serve the Complaint by ordinary mail.



11. Docket Entry 13, indicates that the Complaint was mailed to me on April 16, 2019.

12. Although Docket Entry 13, indicates that the Complaint was sent by ordinary mail to me, I never received it in the mail.

13. Docket Entry 13 listed my correct address. Nevertheless, I did not receive the Complaint in the mail.

14. I do not know why I never received a copy of the Complaint if it was mailed to me.

15. The Docket (Entry No. 17) indicates that a Motion for Default Judgment was filed against me on June 19, 2019.

16. I never received a copy of the Motion for Default Judgment in the mail at my house. Apparently, the Motion for Default Judgment directed to me was mailed to Defendant Ken Johnson, who informed me of such document over the telephone.

17. This was the first time I became aware of the fact that I was a named Defendant in this case.

18. To date, I have never received either the Complaint, nor the Motion for Default Judgment, in the mail.

19. Upon being informed by Defendant Ken Johnson, I along with Defendant Ken Johnson, immediately contacted George L. Forbes, Esq. at Forbes, Fields & Associates Co., L.P.A. to represent me in this matter.

20. Forbes, Fields & Associates Co. L.P.A. filed my Opposition to the Motion for Default Judgment on July 3, 2019, within the time allowed by Court rule.

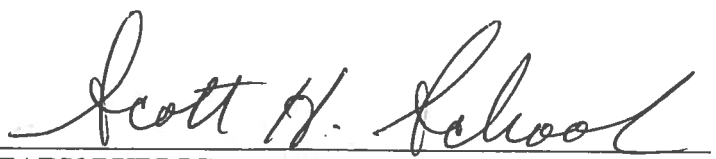
21. On July 3, 2019, I also filed a Motion for Leave to File Answer, Instantly, which was denied by this Court pursuant to its August 1, 2019 Ruling.

22. I have meritorious defenses to this case.
23. I know for a fact that all purported 44 class members have received their full wages.
24. Further, my association with Buckeye Shaker Square Development Corporation was that of an employee with the organization.
25. I was not the class members' employer, nor do I, or did I, have any management relationship with Buckeye Shaker Square Development Corporation.
26. I have never been a board member of Buckeye Shaker Square Development Corporation.
27. I was informed, in a conversation with Defendant John Hopkins, that the Cleveland Community Development Department released the funds to Buckeye Shaker Square Development Corporation to pay all the wages to the class members, approximately two days after this lawsuit was filed.

AFFIANT FURTHER SAYETH NAUGHT.


GARNELL JAMISON

SWORN TO BEFORE ME and subscribed in my presence on this 7th day of August, 2019.


NOTARY PUBLIC

SCOTT H. SCHOOLER, ESQ.
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My commission has no expiration date
Section 147.03 O.R.C.

**U.S. District Court
Northern District of Ohio (Cleveland)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-02675-CAB**

Coffey v. Buckeye Shaker Square Development Corporation et al
Assigned to: Judge Christopher A. Boyko
Demand: \$500,000,000
Cause: 29:201 Fair Labor Standards Act

Date Filed: 11/18/2018
Jury Demand: Plaintiff
Nature of Suit: 710 Labor: Fair Standards
Jurisdiction: Federal Question

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
11/18/2018	<u>1</u>	Complaint Class and collective Action with jury demand against All Defendants. Filing fee paid \$ 400, Receipt number 0647-9013796. Filed by Brian Coffey. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Coffey Opt-In Form, # <u>2</u> Civil Cover Sheet) (Perlmutter, Scott) (Entered: 11/18/2018)
11/19/2018		Judge Christopher A. Boyko assigned to case, (B,R) (Entered: 11/19/2018)
11/19/2018		Random Assignment of Magistrate Judge pursuant to Local Rule 3.1. In the event of a referral, case will be assigned to Magistrate Judge William H. Baughman, Jr. (B,R) (Entered: 11/19/2018)
11/19/2018	<u>2</u>	Magistrate Consent Form issued. Summons were not provided and were not issued. (B,R) (Entered: 11/19/2018)
11/21/2018	<u>3</u>	Notice of Appearance of Counsel filed by All Defendants. (Buckley, Brent) (Entered: 11/21/2018)
11/29/2018	<u>4</u>	Amended Notice of Appearance of Counsel filed by Buckeye Shaker Square Development Corporation. (Buckley, Brent) (Entered: 11/29/2018)
12/06/2018	<u>5</u>	Corporate Disclosure Statement filed by Buckeye Shaker Square Development Corporation. (Buckley, Brent) (Entered: 12/06/2018)
12/27/2018	<u>6</u>	Waiver of Service Returned Executed by Brian Coffey. Buckeye Shaker Square Development Corporation waiver sent on 11/19/2018, answer due 1/18/2019; John Hopkins waiver sent on 11/19/2018, answer due 1/18/2019 filed on behalf of Brian Coffey (Perlmutter, Scott) (Entered: 12/27/2018)
01/18/2019	<u>7</u>	Answer to <u>1</u> Complaint , filed by Buckeye Shaker Square Development Corporation, John Hopkins. (Buckley, Brent) (Entered: 01/18/2019)
02/11/2019	<u>8</u>	Case Management Conference Scheduling Order with case management conference to be held on 3/5/2019 at 11:00 AM at Chambers 15B. Judge Christopher A. Boyko on 2/11/2019. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Report of Parties' Planning Meeting, # <u>2</u> Consent Package) (H,CM) (Entered: 02/11/2019)
02/22/2019	<u>9</u>	Original Summons issued at counter for service upon Garnell Jamison, Kenneth L. Johnson. (B,R) (Entered: 02/22/2019)
02/22/2019		Service by Clerk. Summons and Complaint addressed to Garnell Jamison, Receipt # 70151520000208933114 and Kenneth L. Johnson Receipt # 7015152000020893107 placed in U.S. Mail. Type of service: certified mail.. (B,R) (Entered: 02/22/2019)
03/04/2019	<u>10</u>	Report of Parties' Planning Meeting - parties do not consent to this case being assigned to the magistrate judge, filed by Brian Coffey. (Perlmutter, Scott) (Entered: 03/04/2019)
03/05/2019		Minutes of proceedings [non-document] before Judge Christopher A. Boyko. Case Management Conference held on 3/5/2019. Case is assigned to the standard track. Service shall be completed on Defendants Johnson and Jamison within 30 days. Telephone Conference set for 4/10/2019 at 2:00 PM. Plaintiff's counsel shall initiate. Court will set

		further schedule thereafter. (Court Reporter: none.)Time: 25 mins. (S,SR) (Entered: 03/05/2019)
03/25/2019	<u>11</u>	Return of Service by Clerk unexecuted upon Ken Johnson and Garnell Jamison. Service attempted by certified mail on 3/18/19 filed on behalf of Brian Coffey Related document(s) <u>9</u> , <u>1</u> . (W,CM) (Entered: 03/26/2019)
04/10/2019		Minutes of proceedings [non-document] before Judge Christopher A. Boyko. Telephone Status Conference held on 4/10/2019. Telephone Status Conference set for 4/30/2019 at 03:00 PM. Plaintiff's counsel shall initiate. (Court Reporter: None; Time: 10 min.) (H,CM) (Entered: 04/10/2019)
04/15/2019	<u>12</u>	Request to Clerk for service upon Garnell Jamison, Kenneth L. Johnson by Ordinary mail. filed by Brian Coffey. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Certificate of Mailing)(Perlmutter, Scott) (Entered: 04/15/2019)
04/16/2019	<u>13</u>	Service by Clerk. Summons and Complaint addressed to Garnell Jamison placed in U.S. Mail. Type of service: ordinary mail. (W,CM) (Entered: 04/16/2019)
04/16/2019	<u>14</u>	Service by Clerk. Summons and Complaint addressed to Kenneth L. Johnson placed in U.S. Mail. Type of service: ordinary mail. (W,CM) (Entered: 04/16/2019)
04/30/2019		Minutes of proceedings [non-document] before Judge Christopher A. Boyko. Telephone Status Conference held on 4/30/2019. Settlement Conference set for 6/12/2019 at 02:00 PM in Chambers 15B. Lead counsel and all parties with full authority shall attend and comply with the Court's Standing Settlement Conference Order. (Court Reporter: None; Time: 10 min.) (H,CM) (Entered: 04/30/2019)
04/30/2019	<u>15</u>	Settlement Conference Order. Judge Christopher A. Boyko on 4/30/2019. (H,CM) (Entered: 04/30/2019)
06/13/2019		Minutes of proceedings [non-document] before Judge Christopher A. Boyko. Settlement Conference held 6/12/2019. Parties have reached a resolution and will file a joint motion for approval of class action settlement by 6/19/2019 at 12:00 noon. By the same date, Plaintiffs shall file their Application for Default as to Defendants Jamison and Johnson. (Court Reporter: None; Time: 20 min.) (H,CM) (Entered: 06/13/2019)
06/19/2019	<u>16</u>	Joint Motion for extension of time to File Settlement Documents until June 21, 2019 filed by Plaintiff Brian Coffey. (Downie, Thomas) (Entered: 06/19/2019)
06/19/2019	<u>17</u>	Motion for default judgment <i>against Defendants Kenneth Johnson and Garnell Jamison</i> filed by Plaintiff Brian Coffey. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1 - Case Docket, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 2 - Certified Mail Returns, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 3 - Spreadsheet of Damages, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 4 - Perlmutter Declaration)(Perlmutter, Scott) (Entered: 06/19/2019)
06/20/2019		Order [non-document] granting <u>16</u> Joint Motion for extension of time to File Settlement Documents until June 21, 2019. Signed by Judge Christopher A. Boyko on 6/20/2019. (L,Ja) (Entered: 06/20/2019)
06/21/2019	<u>18</u>	Joint Motion Approval of Class and Collective action Settlement filed by Plaintiff Brian Coffey. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Settlement Agreement, # <u>2</u> Exhibit Proposed Preliminary Approval Order, # <u>3</u> Exhibit Proposed Notice)(Downie, Thomas) (Entered: 06/21/2019)
07/03/2019	<u>19</u>	Attorney Apperance of <i>Scott H. Schooler and George L. Forbes</i> filed by Garnell Jamison, Kenneth L. Johnson. (Schooler, Scott) (Entered: 07/03/2019)
07/03/2019	<u>20</u>	Motion for leave to <i>File Answer, Instanter</i> filed by Garnell Jamison, Kenneth L. Johnson. (Related document(s) <u>1</u>). (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Pleading Answer) (Schooler, Scott) (Entered: 07/03/2019)

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07/03/2019	<u>21</u>	Opposition to <u>17</u> Motion for default judgment <i>against Defendants Kenneth Johnson and Garnell Jamison, filed by Garnell Jamison, Kenneth L. Johnson. (Schooler, Scott)</i> (Entered: 07/03/2019)
07/10/2019	<u>22</u>	Reply in support of <u>17</u> Motion for default judgment <i>against Defendants Kenneth Johnson and Garnell Jamison, and Opposition to <u>20</u> Motion</i> for leave to <i>File Answer, Instante</i> r, filed by Brian Coffey. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1 - Cuyahoga County Auditor Printout, # <u>2</u> Exhibit 2 - Cuyahoga County Criminal Docket Printout, # <u>3</u> Exhibit 3 - Cleveland.com November 19, 2018 Story, # <u>4</u> Exhibit 4 - Cleveland.com June 13, 2019 Story)(Perlmutter, Scott) (Entered: 07/10/2019)
07/30/2019	<u>23</u>	Settlement Notice <i>Agreement of Settlement and Release</i> filed by Buckeye Shaker Square Development Corporation, John Hopkins. (Buckley, Brent, s/ by Elizabeth A. Crosby). Modified on 8/5/10, filer notified that s/signature should be same as filer (H,SP) (Entered: 07/30/2019)
08/01/2019	<u>24</u>	Order denying Defendant's Motion for Leave to File Answer Instante'r (Related Doc # <u>20</u>). Judge Christopher A. Boyko on 8/1/2019.(W,CM) (Entered: 08/05/2019)

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